

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1-3, 7-8, 18, 22-23 and 27-29 have been amended. Claims 9 and 19-21 have been cancelled. Claims 1-8, 18 and 22-29 are pending and under consideration.

It is respectfully submitted that the objections and rejections are overcome by the present amendments.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objections and rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.


Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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